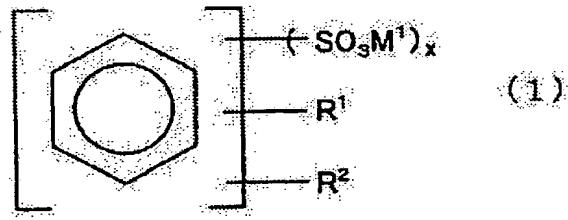
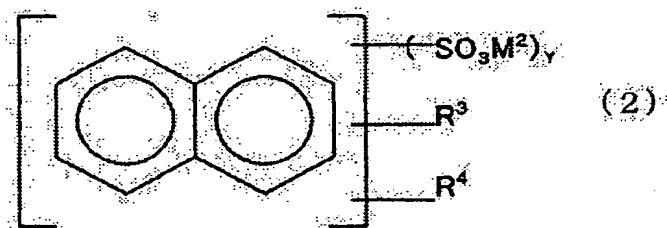


## ABSTRACT

It is an object of the present invention to provide an ink composition using a metal phthalocyanine type cyan dye, according to which the indoor storability (gas resistance) of images created using the ink composition can be improved. The 5 present invention provides an ink composition containing water, metal phthalocyanine type cyan dye, and aromatic compound having a sulfo group and/or salt thereof represented by undermentioned general formula (1) and/or (2). Moreover, the present invention provides an ink jet recording method comprising carrying out recording by discharging droplets of an ink composition and attaching the droplets to 10 a recording medium, wherein the ink jet recording method uses an ink composition as described above as the ink composition. Furthermore, the present invention provides a recorded article characterized by being obtained by recording using an ink composition as described above.



15 (In the formula, M<sup>1</sup> represents a counter ion forming a salt, X represents an integer from 1 to 3, and R<sup>1</sup> and R<sup>2</sup> each represents a hydrogen atom, an alkyl group having 1 to 6 carbon atoms or an alkoxy group having 1 to 6 carbon atoms, and R<sup>1</sup> and R<sup>2</sup> may be the same or different.)



(In the formula,  $\text{M}^2$  represents a counter ion forming a salt,  $\text{Y}$  represents an integer from 1 to 4, and  $\text{R}^3$  and  $\text{R}^4$  each represents a hydrogen atom, an alkyl group having 1 to 6 carbon atoms or an alkoxy group having 1 to 6 carbon atoms, and  $\text{R}^3$  and  $\text{R}^4$  5 may be the same or different.)